

# \*AZELLA Placement Test Training

SESSION 2
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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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# \*Test Administration Staff

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#### **Test Administrators and Proctors**

\*Trained by the District Test Coordinator in correct test administration

protocol and security procedures

- \*Employed by district or charter
- \* Proficient in English
- \*Must be one of the following
  - \* Highly Qualified Teacher
  - \* Certified Staff
  - \* Paraprofessional
  - \* Retired Teacher



## \*Test Administration Staff



#### **Training Test Administrators and Proctors**

The training must include the following:

- \*Reviewing the test security procedures
- \*Completing the Test Security Agreement form
- \*Reviewing the test administration procedures
- \* Providing (Administration and Scoring) staff with an overview of PearsonPerspective
- \* Providing (key entry) staff with an overview of PearsonAccess
- \* Reviewing procedures for bubbling student demographic data
- \*Reviewing procedures for handling unexpected or unusual situations



## \*PearsonPerspective

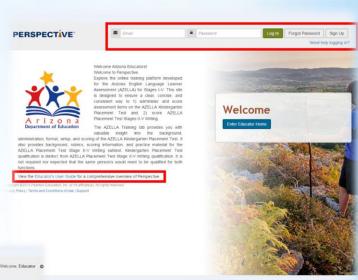


#### **Training and Qualification**

- \*Kindergarten Placement Test
  - \* Administration and Scoring
- \*Stages II-V Extended Writing responses
  - \* Scoring



\*https://azella.pearsonperspective.com







# \*Test Administration Overview

## \*School-Provided Materials



#### The schools will provide:

- \*Sharpened No. 2 pencils with erasers (no mechanical pencils).
- \*A pencil sharpener or additional pencils.
- \* "Testing Do Not Disturb" signs.

- \*A CD player or computer (for the Listening domain test).
- \*Blank or lined scratch paper (for Writing domain test Stages II V).
- \*A DVD player or computer (for Speaking Demonstration Video DVD).
- \*Landline speaker telephone(s) (for Speaking domain test).
- \*An erasable marker (for Kindergarten Placement Test).

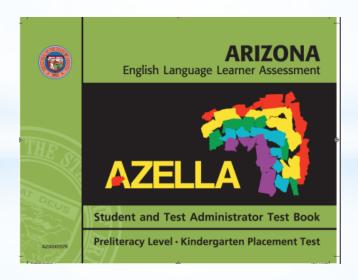




## \*Kindergarten Placement Test

#### Preliteracy Level - Kindergarten Placement Test

- \*The Kindergarten Placement Test is administered one-on-one by a qualified AZELLA Kindergarten Placement Test Administrator.
- \*Approximately 20 minutes must be allotted to complete the test.



## \*Administration Order and Times >



#### Stages II - V

The tests for **Stages II – V** will require a one-day or two-day administration and **must** be administered in the following order:

1-Day Test Administration	2-Days Test Administration
Session 1: Listening Session 2: Reading Session 3: Writing Session 4: Speaking	Session 1: Listening Session 2: Reading Session 3: Writing
	Session 4: Speaking Day 2

- Breaks must be provided between sessions.
- Students must be allowed to complete the test.

## \*Administration Order and Times



#### Stages II - V

Session/Domain	Estimated Times
Session1 Listening	Stage II: 30-45 minutes Stage III: 35-45 minutes Stages IV-V: 40-50 minutes
Break	
Session 2 Reading	Stage II: 30-60 minutes Stages III-V: 45-90 minutes
Significant Break	
Session 3 Writing	Stage II: 30-75 minutes Stages III-V: 45-90 minutes
Significant Break	
Session 4 Speaking	Stages II: 24-27 minutes Stages III-V: 27-30 minutes



## \*Preparing Testing Rooms





A comfortable environment



Quiet and distraction-free



No visual aids visible



## \*Universal Test Administration Conditions



- \*Testing in a small group, one-on-one, or in a separate location.
- \*Being seated in a specific location or sitting at special furniture.
- \*Having the test administered by a familiar Test Administrator.
- \*Using a special pencil or grip.
- \*Allowing students to use glasses, magnification, color overlays, and special lighting.
- \*Allowing students to use hearing aids and amplification devices.
- \*Allowing students to wear noise buffers after the scripted directions have been read for the Reading and Writing sections.
- \*Repeating scripted directions upon request.
- \*Answering questions about scripted directions.



### \*Monitor Student Testing



#### **Test Administrators and Proctors should:**

- \*Supervise the room at all times.
- \*Verify that students are marking their answers or writing their responses in the proper locations.
- \*Answer student questions that pertain only to the clarification of test administration directions.



## \*Unacceptable Resources



All personal electronic devices need to be silenced or turned off and put away during the entire testing session.



If a student is observed using an unacceptable resource, remove the unacceptable resource and allow students to continue testing.



## \*Students Who Have To Leave



- \*Only 1 student may leave the testing room at a time.
- \*All test materials must be collected when the student exits.
- \*Students must be allowed to finish testing upon their return.





## \*Disruptive Students



#### Disruptive students are ones who:

- \*Cause a disturbance while testing.
- \* Refuse to participate.
- \*Give help to, and/or receive help from, others.
- \*Engage in unacceptable classroom behavior.





Separate the disruptive student from the other students and, if possible, allow him or her to continue testing in a different location.







\*Domain-Specific Preparation

## \*Testing Session 1 - Listening



#### There are 2 ways to access the Listening audio:

1. Using the Listening CD.



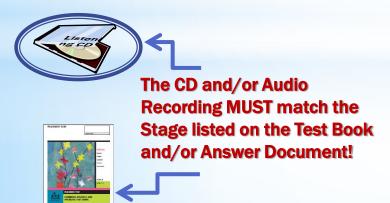
2. Downloading the Listening audio file.



- \* PearsonAccess > Support > Downloads > Right-click Listening audio file
- \* Available ONLY July 6 September 15, 2015

Download audio files in PearsonAccess

The Listening CD and the downloadable audio file are secure materials and should be treated as such.









## \*Testing Sessions 2 & 3 – Reading and Writing



There are no specific preparations for the Reading Session.

For the Writing Session, students will need:

- \*Scratch paper.
  - \* lined or unlined for Stages II V
- \*Extra, sharpened #2 pencils with erasers.









## \*Testing Session 4 - Speaking



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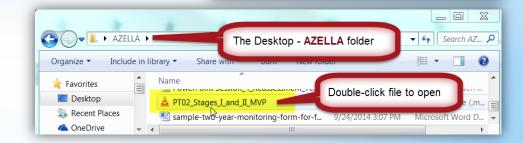
## The Speaking demonstration video can be accessed by:

- \*Using the DVD.
- \*Downloading from PearsonAccess.

#### The video may be shown:

- \*Before or after any of the 3 previous sub-tests.
- \*To large or small groups of students or one-on-one with a student.
- \* Multiple times.







## \*Testing Session 4 - Speaking



**Preparation for the Speaking Test** 

- \*The DVD player or computer and a speaker telephone should be located in a quiet room.
- \*Test the DVD player or computer.
- \*Have the demonstration video ready to play.
- \*Check telephone connection and the volume of the speaker.









## \*Testing Session 4 - Speaking



#### **Administering the Speaking Test**

- \*The Speaking test must the last sub-test administered.
- \*All students will participate in an individual practice session.
- \*A unique Speaking Lithocode is required for the Speaking Session.
  The test will only begin after the Lithocode is entered correctly.



- \*During the test, avoid background noise or speech.
- \* After the completion of the Speaking Test, do NOT hang up the phone until the message has been heard to do so.





## \*Successful Speaking Test



#### Students should:

- \*Leave the telephone alone.
- \*Refrain from making unnecessary noises.
- \*Remain still during the test.
- \*Speak in a clear, audible voice.

#### **Test Administrators should:**

- \*Remain quiet during the test.
- \*Use hand gestures to communicate with the student.







Session 2 is completed. Close this presentation and then:

- Mark this session as Reviewed.
- Continue with Session 3.

